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DEPARTMENT PASS DOT FOR SECRETARY COLEMAN

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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S NOTE OF APPRECIATION TO
SECRETARY COLEMAN

1. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PASSING THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE TO SECRETARY COLEMAN:

2. DEAR MR. SECRETARY: YOUR CAREFUL AND THOUGHTFUL
DECISION ON CONCORDE SUPERSONIC TRANSPORT, WHICH WAS
RELEASED YESTERDAY, IS AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE IN THE
MAINTENANCE OF GOOD U.S.-FRENCH RELATIONS. WE WILL BE
REPORTING SEPARATELY ON OFFICIAL AND PUBLIC REACTIONS
IN FRANCE, BUT I WANT TO ASSURE YOU NOW OF MY APPRECI-
ATION FOR THE VERY POSITIVE IMPACT WHICH YOUR DECISION
WILL HAVE ABROAD. I SHOULD ADD THAT YOUR EVEN-HANDED
CONDUCT OF YOUR JANUARY 5 HEARING EVOKED AN EXTREMELY
POSITIVE AND ADMIRING REACTION IN FRANCE.

3. WHILE OUR INTEREST HERE IN PARIS HAS FOCUSED PAR-
TICULARLY ON THE FOREIGN POLICY ASPECTS OF YOUR DECISION,
I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU HOW PLEASED I AM BY THE
EXTREMELY WELL ARTICULATED BLEND, CAREFULLY WEIGHING ALL
ASPECTS OF THIS QUESTION, WHICH YOUR DECISION REPRESENTS.
WHILE WE HAVE NOT YET FINISHED FULLY DIGESTING YOUR
DECISION AND ITS SUPPORTING STATEMENTS, MY STAFF AND I
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ALREADY AGREE THAT THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY MASTERFUL PIECE

OF CRAFTSMANSHIP WHICH ADMIRABLY REFLECTS THE INTELLEC-
TUAL CLARITY WHICH YOU HAVE CONTRIBUTED TOWARD RESOLVING
AN ISSUE OF SUCH GREAT SENSITIVITY. SINCERELY, KENNETH
RUSH.
RUSH

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